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## Non-partisan Moms Lobby State to Demand Gun Sense

by Elisabeth Kevorkian



PHOTO COURTESY OF SENATOR PINSKY'S OFFICE

Greenbelt supporters Lauren Cummings (left), Melissa Thompson (second from left) and Elisabeth Kevorkian (second from right) meet with Senator Paul Pinsky in Annapolis.

On Thursday, January 31, several Greenbelters joined more than 200 supporters of the non-partisan Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America for lobbying day in Annapolis. Groups from all Maryland districts requested legislators to support common-sense gun safety legislation.

The focus of the lobbying group was on ghost guns and a

loophole in background check legislation. Ghost guns include guns that can be made with 3D printers, which do not show up on metal detectors, are untraceable because they have no serial numbers and may not even look like guns. The loophole concerns long guns used in the shooting at the Capital Gazette.

See GUN SENSE, page 8

## Franklin Park Church Feeds Families Pinched by Shutdown

by René Sewell-Rayson

The snow started falling last Friday as the volunteers pulled into the parking lot of Rivers of Life AME church, 9200 Edmonston Road in the Franklin Park neighborhood, for the Grocery Giveaway. The pastor, the Reverend Aaron Tinch, has a philosophy: “No one will outwork us,” so he was on site first to lead by example.

Two Eastern Shore farmers, Floyd Pugh, Jr. and Kent Ballard had gotten on the road at 4:30 a.m. and were heading to Rivers of Life with 55 cases of chicken. That’s 3,000 pounds. It was their contribution to the hard-hit DMV of furloughed federal workers. Although the government shutdown had ended, one of the organizers, Kandice Freeman, president and founder of The Way To Live, Inc., a nonprofit for health and



PHOTO BY KENNETH TUCKER

From left, Kandice Freeman, Kent Ballard and Floyd Pugh, Jr. participate in the grocery giveaway.

wellness, knew that there were still families who were experiencing food insecurity. “Yeah, the check is in the mail won’t get your family fed,” volunteer Tanya Knox quipped.

The night before, the young adults of the congregation had gathered to repackage 350 pounds of rice into family-friendly portions to add to the chicken. Would those who had

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## Cherrywood Green Study On; Greenbelt Station Parkway Loan

by Ian Round

Greenbelt City Council unanimously agreed on January 28 to spend \$130,170 on architectural and engineering designs for remodeling on Cherrywood Lane.

The Cherrywood Green and Complete Street Retrofit Project, as it is known, would add bike lanes, sidewalks and a drainage system that would treat storm water before it flows into Indian Creek, which lies just west of the street.

The city is contracting with Charles P. Johnson & Associates (CPJ) of Silver Spring. Vice President Lee Johnson said in a phone call that he could not discuss details of the contract.

“This is a transformational kind of proposal to rethink Cherrywood Lane,” Mayor Emmett Jordan said at the meeting. “I’m hoping that we’ll come up with the rest of the money to make this happen.”

The city allocated \$30,000 from its Fiscal Year 2019 budget and \$56,000 comes from a grant from the Chesapeake Bay Trust. Assistant City Manager David Moran said the Greenbelt West Infrastructure Fund had enough money to make up the roughly \$44,000 difference.

According to a concept design report prepared by the city in

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## GES Shadow Puppets Project Teaches Folktales, Community

by Jessica O’Roark

“Shadow Stories,” an exploration of storytelling and puppetry, is in full swing at Greenbelt Elementary School (GES) just in time for the Lunar New Year. The project began on Friday, January 18 with “The Giant Turnip,” a folktale performed by Beech Tree Puppets that celebrates caring for the earth and working together in community. Despite the two-hour snow delay, all 620 students at the school saw one of the afternoon performances, which features hand-crafted rods and shadow-puppets. The set uses a shadow screen under a garden with shadow puppets showing what happens beneath the earth, including tunneling worms, a sprouting seed and a jolly root gnome.

Since then, fourth-graders have been creating shadow puppets to create and perform in their own mini-shows for the lower grades. They will present “The



PHOTO BY INGRID COWAN HASS

Greenbelt Elementary 4th graders practice with shadow puppets that they made during workshops with Ingrid Cowan Hass.

New Year’s Animals,” a Chinese folktale about the zodiac calendar and how it was created. These student performances will culminate their study of folktales, a

part of their regular curriculum.

Under the direction of Ingrid Cowan Hass, one of the

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## Community Church Youth Lead Battle Against Hunger

by Karen Yoho

*Este artículo está disponible en español en nuestra página web [www.greenbeltnewsreview.com](http://www.greenbeltnewsreview.com).*

Hours before last Sunday’s coin toss opening the Super Bowl

in Atlanta, Greenbelt residents tackled a greater issue: hunger. The Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ, kicked off the annual Souper Bowl of Caring. The Souper Bowl of Caring is a nationwide, multi-denominational event organized by Church World Service that seeks to raise funds and collect food to feed the hungry. It aims to mobilize the enthusiasm of Super Bowl weekend and turn it into America’s largest youth-led effort of giving and serving. During the week leading up to Super Bowl Sunday, young people fight hunger and poverty in their local communities by collecting donations of funds and food and

passing them directly to local charities.

In the last 25 years more than \$100 million has been raised for local charities. The Souper Bowl of Caring transforms the time around Super Bowl weekend into the nation’s largest celebration of giving and serving. Reverend Patrick Walker, senior community engagement specialist with the Church World Service, visited the congregation and shared a message of gratitude for Community Church members for their work to help those in need throughout the year.

Members of the church also

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### What Goes On

**Monday, February 11 8 p.m.** City Council Meeting, Municipal Building  
**Thursday, February 14 7 to 8:30 p.m.** Greenbelt Pedestrian and Bicycle Task Force, Open Meeting, Community Center, Room 112



# Letters to the Editor

## THANKS

The Greenbelt Pantry extends many thanks to the City of Greenbelt for its generous donations. All donations large and small keep the pantry viable and operational. Thanks again to Father Walter Tappe of St. Hugh's Church, Mishkan Torah, Jordan and Eva Choper, and Carole Siegel.

We are grateful to Henry Haslinger, Councilmember Judith Davis, Janet Kuhn, Neil Williamson and Councilmember Ed Putens. The list is long and I am happy about that, you share from your heart.

Co-op shoppers purchased many "Feed the Hungry" food bags thanks to Bob Davis, the Co-op manager; Hung Le, the plant manager of St. Hugh's Church; and Peggy Compton. Not to forget Ellen Hanyok, Mary and Barry Moien, Cathie Brannan, the Ladies of Charity of St. Hugh's Church, our treasurer extraordinaire Mary Jo Dorsey, and Jean Cook who delivers food to the homebound, Vicki Facht of S.O.M.E., along with Mary Lou Holt and family. Peggy Compton picked up and delivered over 150 bags of "Feed the Hungry Bags" in one week.

Thanks to the Old Greenbelt Theatre and Kathy Labukas for their donations.

Thanks to the Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ, for their great big donation of personal care and hygiene items. The pantry is grateful to Judy Dixon and Suze and Jim Marley for their help.

Happy Valentine's Day, enjoy a warm spring and great summer.

Solange Hess  
Chair of the Pantry



## Weather Swings

I don't know 'bout you, but this weather is creeping me out. Very strange.

But these extremes are happening more and more.

Sure, it's great outside, BUT.....

Dave Baise

## New at Our Co-op

The Co-op Supermarket has been finding new and wonderful foods to offer to all who shop there. I most recently found the new, locally made breads by Roggenart – a wide variety and all of them good and reasonably priced. There is also yummy, new organic hibiscus juice made by a Greenbelter. Other new, locally produced items include a rich West African tomato stew. We all know about the great and growing wine (and beer) selection. And you have seen, I hope, the books and cards by Greenbelt locals available at the Co-op. Where else would you find these products? All at competitive prices.

In addition to finding and stocking new, local products, management at the Co-op is always responsive to customers' requests and suggestions. I have suggested items on several occasions and only once was the Co-op unable to comply. Talk to whomever is in the office, or leave a written request or other suggestion in the suggestion box in the store near the Roosevelt Center entrance, or contact them through the website greenbelt.coop.

Please shop at the Co-op every chance you get. Make it a point to do so. The Co-op is not a corporate outlet answering to people hundreds of miles away. The Co-op is our neighborhood grocery store. The Co-op survives by and for Greenbelters.

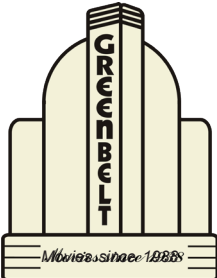
Kathie Jarva

## Correction

Last week's article about clown instructor Mike Funt incorrectly stated he works with Healthy Humor. Funt does not yet work with the organization but hopes to in the future.

## LOVE NOTES are coming!

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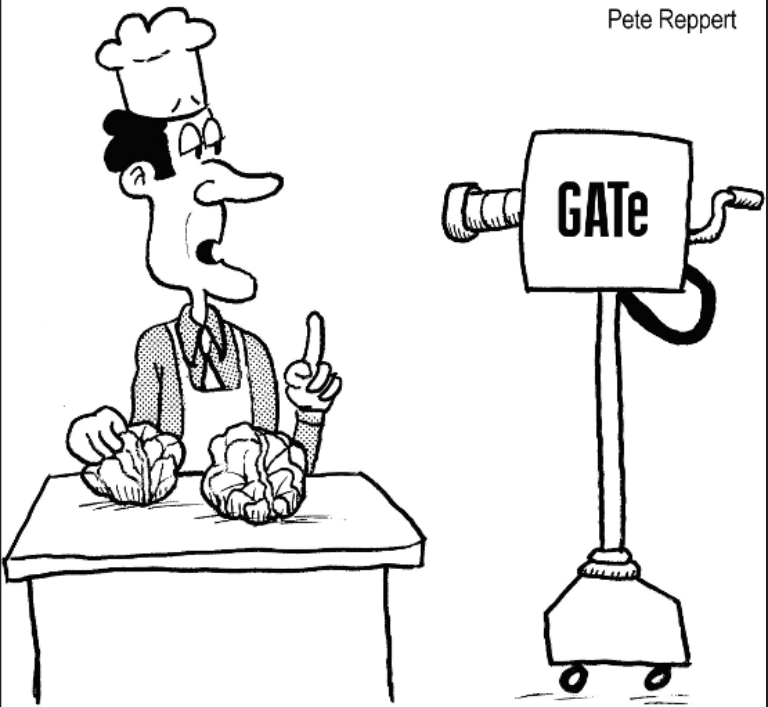
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Pete Reppert



A COOK'S SECRET - TWO HEADS OF CABBAGE ARE ABOUT AS SMART AS ONE.



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## On Screen

## Three Oscar-Nominated Movies

A biopic film about Dick Cheney, Vice stars Christian Bale as the former vice president and Amy Adams as his wife Lynne. The movie follows Cheney's career as he goes from an intern in the Nixon administration to a bureaucrat and on to become the most powerful man in the world, reshaping the country and the globe. Vice received eight Oscar nominations including best picture. R 132 minutes

Cold War is the passionate love story of a musical director and a singer who both work in post-war Poland. The pair is mismatched. They're from vastly different backgrounds and temperaments, but their passion burns brightly and they plot their escape from communist Poland. Joanna Kulig stars as Zula Lichon and Tomas Kot as Wiktor Warski. Cold War received Oscar nominations for Best Foreign Language Film, Best Director and Best Cinematography. R 89 minutes

Shoplifters, a Japanese movie with subtitles, follows a poor family who survive by stealing. After a session of shoplifting, they find a little girl who is alone in the freezing cold and agree to take her in. Although the family is barely making enough money to survive, they seem happy together until an unforeseen incident reveals hidden secrets. Shoplifters was nominated for Best Foreign Language Film. R 121 minutes

- Amy Hansen



# Community Events

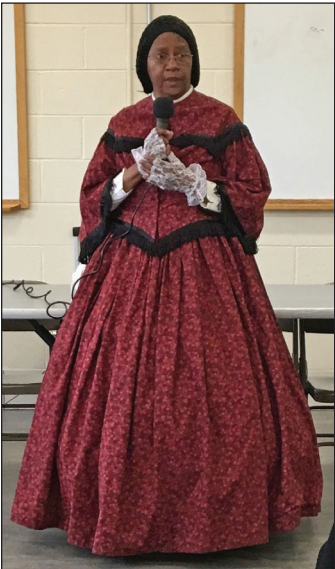
## Civil War Reenactors At Golden Age Club

by Mary Moien

The Female RE-Enactors of Distinction (FREED) will be the featured presentation at the Wednesday, February 13 meeting of the Golden Age Club. This presentation is open to all Greenbelt residents who would like to attend as guests of the Club. The meeting will be held at 11 a.m. in the Community Center in the second floor meeting room.

The reenactors are a group of women who desire to teach American history that perhaps has been forgotten or overlooked. Greenbelt resident Joyce Bailey and other women will be representing historical African American women in the Civil War era and surrounding decades. These women participated in a meeting last year and were enthusiastically encouraged to return to discuss other women from that era.

FREED is an auxiliary organization of the African American Civil War Memorial & Museum. Its mission is to educate the public and to promote the accomplishments of the African American Civil War soldiers and women who supported their fight for freedom. They engage in reenactments, dramatic readings and various other educational programs in order to share the stories of these distinctive men and women who made major contributions to the educational, medical, artistic and social aspects of the nation.

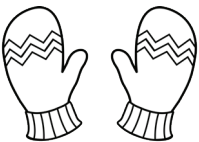


Greenbelt resident Joyce Bailey reenacts the life of a Civil War era woman.

## Thoughtful Discussion At MakerSpace

Are we as stupid as Hollywood thinks we are? Why can't they make a movie that doesn't get the science wrong? Or the history? Must every movie (and book) have a love story? Why do so few movies pass the Bechtel test?

Those wishing to explore this topic should join the group on Tuesday, February 12 at 7:15 p.m. at MakerSpace.



More Community Events  
are located throughout  
the paper.

## Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition Food and Friendship program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208 ext. 4215.

All meals, which provide at least one-third of Recommended Dietary Allowances for older adults, include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for the week of February 11 are as follows:

Monday, February 11: veggie burger, macaroni and cheese, glazed baby carrots, wheat bun, diced pears, orange juice

Tuesday, February 12: pineapple chicken, confetti rice, garden vegetables, wheat bread, mandarin oranges, apple juice

Wednesday, February 13: beef hot dog, sauerkraut, ranch beans, wheat hot dog bun, tropical fruit, cranberry juice

Thursday, February 14: cranberry Dijon chicken, au gratin potatoes, broccoli, dinner roll, fresh fruit, red velvet cake, apple juice

Friday, February 15: meatloaf with gravy, whipped potatoes, mixed vegetables, wheat bread, fresh fruit, cranberry juice.

## Square Dance Feb. 17

Celebrate Presidents Day with an all-American square dance, Sunday, February 17 from 3 to 5 p.m. at Mishkan Torah. The square dance is open to all Greenbelt residents. This is a fun opportunity for everyone, young and old, to share an enjoyable activity and to get to know one another. No partner or experience is needed. The caller, Jim Wass, is the caller for Good Luck Squares which meets weekly in New Carrollton. There is a fee.

Mishkan Torah is located at 10 Ridge Road. Register online at [mishkantorah.org](http://mishkantorah.org). Snow date is February 24. See ad on page 4.

## Art Exhibit at GAC

Greenbelt Arts Center presents Bright Drama, an art showcase by Marsha Stein. Some of her vivid paintings are influenced by the color and joy of the Caribbean culture, while others show her interest in costume design and art deco scenes.

Stein's paintings will be on display through Saturday, February 23, and can be viewed whenever the theater is open, before and after performances of Perfect Arrangement. For more information visit [greenbeltartscenter.org](http://greenbeltartscenter.org).



PHOTO BY JON GARDNER

The Greenbelt Arts Center currently has an art exhibit by Marsha Stein.

## Scout Troop 214 Hosts Chili Supper

On Monday, February 18 from 5 to 7 p.m., Boy Scout Troop 214 will host its annual chili supper fundraiser at Elks Lodge #1778 at 6700 Kenilworth Avenue. This Presidents Day tradition serves up meaty, veggie and spicy chili as well as homemade cornbread, salad and desserts. Tickets may also be purchased through PayPal at [paypal.me/boyscouttroop214](http://paypal.me/boyscouttroop214). Tickets are free for children under 5 years old and for any scout (Cub Scout, Girl Scout or Boy Scout, current, leader or former) who attends in uniform.

All proceeds support scouting activities throughout the year, including Boys Troop 214 and the new Girls Troop 214. Contact Jonathan Jones at [jijones67@yahoo.com](mailto:jijones67@yahoo.com) for further information.

## GATe Boot Camp On February 9

Greenbelt Access Television (GATe) plans a Boot Camp in February and the organization's Annual Meeting in March.

"We are trying to simplify things so anyone can get started making their own videos to put on our community channel," said Andy Zmidzinski, GATe's executive director.

Station Manager Phoebe McFarb concurred: "I feel that this boot camp ended up being a really helpful way for students to learn the basics of editing quickly. Once people understand the basics and the parts that are most important to remember in an editing software, it's a lot easier for them to start exploring the rest of the features available."

The Zmidzinski/McFarb duo, which also benefited from the contributions of George Kochell, intends to hold more boot camps in the future, but the next one scheduled is set for Saturday, February 9, 9:30 a.m. at GATe's studio. The class will cover GATe's Canon cameras, focus, composition and sound.

In addition, GATe is holding its annual meeting Sunday, March 10, at 3 p.m., at GATe's studio. This is a great place to learn more about GATe's operation and who the board members are, and for you to become a member.

For more information and to register, call 301-507-6580.

## AARP Safe Driving Course in March

Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service (GIVES) will again be sponsoring the AARP Safe Driving Course. The course will take place on Monday, March 18 from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., with a lunch break at noon. The course, open to all licensed drivers, will be held in the Community Center. There is a fee.

To register for the course, call the GIVES office at 301-507-6580. Calls are received from 10 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday.

## Living Plastic Free

On Wednesday, February 13 from 7 to 9 p.m. the Greenbelt Climate Action Network (GCAN) will host a talk on Living Plastic Free by Beth Terry at the Community Center, Room 114. Many are trying to reduce carbon footprints, but do you know your plastic footprint? Although some plastics make our lives better, much of it is a problem – produced from fossil fuels, polluting oceans and beaches and harming health with toxic chemicals. But what can one person do to be part of the solution? Join in an evening of inspiring stories and practical tips about ways to reduce plastic in the home and on the planet. In a humorous, non-judgmental style, Terry will share her journey from self-confessed plastic addict to empowered plastic-free activist and explain why recycling alone is not a way out of this mess.

GCAN is a project of Chesapeake Education, Arts and Research Society. For more information see [cheers.org/gcan/](http://cheers.org/gcan/) or contact Lore Rosenthal at 301-345-2234, [lore@simplicity-matters.org](mailto:lore@simplicity-matters.org).

## Shadow Puppet Play At New Deal Café

There will be a public performance of the shadow puppet play, The New Year's Animals, with a select fourth grade cast at the New Deal Café on Saturday, February 9 at 1 p.m. All are welcome. The show lasts about 15 minutes. This is part of the project, Shadow Stories, funded by the Jim Cassels Award.

## Donation Drop-off

A donation drop-off will be held on Saturday, February 9 from 9 a.m. to noon (or until the truck is full) in the parking lot between the Municipal Building and the Community Center. For more information call the City of Greenbelt Recycling Office at 301-474-8308 or consult [gogreendrop.com/acceptable-items/](http://gogreendrop.com/acceptable-items/).

**Greenbelt Access Television**  
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**Canon Camera Bootcamp - \$25**  
Saturday, Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> from 9:30am-12:30pm

This day long class is designed for members who want to learn the basics of camera use, composition, and terminology. Learn on the Canon XF305 professional camcorders we have here at GATe. Limit 4. Prereq: Orientation

**GATe Annual Membership Meeting**  
Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at 3pm

Join us in the GATe studio (15 Crescent Rd. Greenbelt MD, 20770 Suite #204) for our annual membership meeting. The meeting includes a recap of the year's events at GATe and voting on board members. Any member whose membership is up to date 7 days prior to the meeting can vote and/or run for a board position. Refreshments will be provided.

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# City Celebrates Black History In Sunday’s Diverse Program

by Lois Rosado

Over the years, various departments and co-ops in the City of Greenbelt have arranged Black History Month events. This year, elected city representatives and the Recreation Department are joining forces with community residents and Greenbelt Racial Equity Alliance (GREA) to present a program celebrating Black History Month. The Sunday, February 17 program will feature spoken word artists, the award-winning Step Team from Eleanor Roosevelt High School, an art exhibition from Greenbelt Middle School students and special guest speaker, Dr. Alvin Thornton, chair of the Board of Education of Prince George’s County. The program begins at 2 p.m. in the Community Center Gym.

Negro History Week was founded by Carter G. Woodson in 1926 to celebrate the birthdays of Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln, both born in February. Woodson also wanted to dispel the notion that Americans of African descent had no history or culture and made no contributions economically, socially and culturally to the development and advancement of the United States. Woodson once wrote that, “Those who have no record of what their forebears have accomplished lose the inspiration which comes from the teaching of biography and history.”

As founder of the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History, Woodson’s life work was devoted to demonstrating evidence that Americans of African descent were essential to the financial, social and cultural fabric of the U.S. He also wanted black Americans to be proud of their African heritage and realize the positive impact they have had on American society. A few of those contributors include

Garrett Morgan, who created the automated traffic light; Frederick McKinley Jones, who invented the portable air conditioner and later the refrigerated truck; and Dr. Gladys West, inventor of the GPS who was recently honored by the U.S. Air Force at the Pentagon. Thanks to the book and movie Hidden Figures, we are all aware of Katherine Johnson and the many black women employed by NASA who helped launch America’s space program.

This year Greenbelt celebrates Black History Month on February 17 at 2 p.m. at the Community Center gym by honoring Woodson for his forward thinking and dedication to ensure that African American contributions and history continue to be acknowledged, studied and celebrated. The program is free and open to the public.

## ERHS Drama: Declaration



PHOTO BY NYAH CLAY

From left, Amy Lepore, Gabriela Holzer, Vanessa Martin, Victoria Simmons, Rebekah Pase, Zion Watkins and Dominique Hart (center floor) rehearse for the play Declaration by Jonathan Dorf, which will be performed at the school on Thursday and Friday, February 14 and 15. The play depicts gun violence in a school, and a portion of the proceeds will go to March for Our Lives. A post-show discussion with students and community members will occur after each performance.



Congratulations to Greenbelt residents Sophie Bernheisel and Mira Willson who were awarded Dean’s List academic honors for the fall 2018 semester at St. Mary’s College of Maryland. Dean’s List honors are awarded to full-time students at St. Mary’s College who earn a semester grade-point average of 3.5 or better on 12 or more graded credits.

The News Review wants to be the first to wish staffer Kathleen McFarland a very happy day on her upcoming 91st birthday on February 9. She was 10 years old when her pioneer family came to Greenbelt in 1938.

Share your accomplishments, milestones and news in the Our Neighbors column. Send details of your news items to editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com.



### Obituaries

The News Review publishes obituaries of Greenbelt residents, past or present. You write it or we will if you prefer. We try to include information about participation in various activities and organizations, where the person lived and something about the family. A photograph and service information should be included. There is no charge.



“The purpose of justice is the appearance of unity among men. The ocean of divine wisdom surgeth within this exalted word, while the books of the world cannot contain its inner significance.” – Bahá’í Writings

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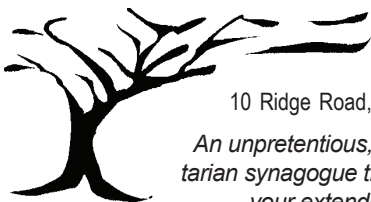
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**At the Library**

All Prince George’s County Memorial Library System branches will be closed on Sunday, February 17 and Monday, February 18 for the Presidents Day holiday. The Greenbelt Library will reopen on Tuesday, February 19 at 1 p.m.

**Teen Advisory Board**

Monday, February 11, 4 p.m., ages 13 to 18, limit 15 participants. Earn service hours while making the local library a great place for teens. Enjoy snacks, meet new people, become a leader. Registration required; contact the branch either in person or by calling 301-345-5800.

**English Conversation**

Tuesday, February 12, 6 p.m. Learning to speak English? Join this club and practice speaking English in a friendly atmosphere with people from diverse backgrounds.

**Storytimes**

Tuesday, February 12, ages 3 to 5, 7 p.m., limit 30 people. Wednesday, February 13, ages newborn to 2, 10:15 a.m., limit 15 babies with parent(s)/caregiver(s); ages 2 to 3, 11:15 a.m., limit 30 people. Thursday, February 14, ages newborn to 2, 10:15 & 11:15 a.m., limit 15 babies with parent(s)/caregiver(s).

**African History**

Tuesday, February 12, 7 p.m. Migrations: African Presence Around The World, Past & Present will be the next session in this audiovisual lecture series presented by historian C.R. Gibbs. Other sessions will be presented on most Tuesday evenings through March 5.

**Kids Achieve Club**

Wednesday, February 13, 4:30 p.m. Mentoring, reading and homework help for students in grades 1 through 6.

**French Conversation**

Thursday, February 14, 5 p.m. Learning to speak French? Join this club and practice speaking French in a friendly atmosphere.

**Bibliobop Dance Party**

Saturday, February 16, 10:30 a.m., ages 2 to 5. Come bust a move and shake the sillies out at the Greenbelt Bibliobop Dance Party. Bring parents or caregivers and prepare to boogie and bop. This event is presented every third Saturday of each month. No registration required.

**Community Hospices Discusses Spouse Loss**

Community Hospices will be offering an informative, supportive and inspirational discussion on spousal loss on Tuesday, February 19 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Community Center. Contact Margaret Capurso, bereavement counselor at 301-560-6002.



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# City Information & Events

**GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL- REGULAR MEETING**  
**Municipal Building, Monday, February 11, 2019, 8:00 p.m.**

**ORGANIZATION**  
Call to Order  
Roll Call  
Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag  
Consent Agenda – Approval of Staff Recommendations (Items on the Consent Agenda [marked by \*] will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal from the Consent Agenda by Council.)  
Approval of Agenda and Additions

**COMMUNICATIONS**  
**Presentations**  
- Random Acts of Kindness Proclamation  
- Black History Month Proclamation

**Petitions and Requests**  
(Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules.)

**Minutes of Council Meeting**  
**Administrative Reports**  
**\* Committee Reports**  
- Ethics Commission #2019-01 (Expansion of the Commission):  
- ACE Report 2019-02 (2018 Grant Program – Final Report)

**LEGISLATION**  
A Resolution To Negotiate The Purchase of Annual Lawn Mowing and Landscape Services From P2 Maintenance Services Of Laurel, Maryland At A Cost of \$46,990 - 2nd Reading & Adoption

A Resolution to Authorize the Negotiated Purchase of Professional Services To Undertake a Feasibility Study And To Create Concept Engineered Design Plans (Up To 30%) For Bikeway Facilities On Hanover Parkway From Sabra & Associates At A Cost Of \$59,685.  
1st Reading

**OTHER BUSINESS**  
- Beltway Plaza Redevelopment Proposal  
- State Legislation  
- Council Activities  
- Council Reports

**SCHEDULING OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

*NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda, subject to change. Regular Council meetings are open to the public, and all interested citizens are invited to attend. If special accommodations are required for any disabled person, please call 301-474-8000 no later than 10am on the meeting day. Deaf individuals are advised to use MD RELAY at 711 or e-mail banderson@greenbeltmd.gov to reach the City Clerk.*



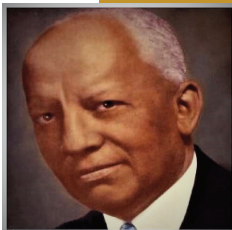
**Spring & Summer Camp Programs**

Registration now open for Greenbelt residents; non-residents please register beginning February 19!

**Spring Camps**  
April 15-19: Fast Break Basketball Clinic at Springhill Lake Recreation Center and Spring Camp at the Youth Center

**Summer Camps**  
June 17 through August 23:  
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Call 301-397-2200 for more information.




**Greenbelt Celebrates Black History**

**Sunday, February 17 at 2pm**  
**Greenbelt Community Center**  
**15 Crescent Road**

*Join us for an afternoon of celebration!*


FEATURING:




Special guest speaker: Dr. Alvin Thornton, Chair, Prince George’s County Board of Education



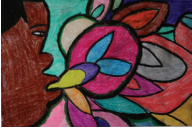
Spoken word artists: Chris Downing and Robin Grosline



The award winning Eleanor Roosevelt High School Step Team, Dem Raider Boyz



Special art presentation from the Greenbelt Middle School student art project



Drum Introduction: Joe Parkes, Greenbelt Resident.

**This event is free and open to all.**

Sponsored by the City of Greenbelt, Greenbelt Recreation, a Community Planning Committee and the Greenbelt Racial Equity Alliance

**MEETINGS FOR FEBRUARY 7-15**

Thursday, February 7 at 6:00pm **EMPLOYEE RELATIONS BOARD** at Municipal Building-Library, 25 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Hearing Procedures, Executive Session, and Other Business*

Saturday, February 9 at 9:30am, **COMMUNITY RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD (CRAB)** in the Council Room at the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Approval of Minutes, Community Feedback, Referral on Petition on Police Use of Military Equipment, City Grant Review Panel, Referral on City Holiday Decorating Contest, Next Meeting and other matters as time permits. This agenda is subject to change.*

Monday, February 11 at 8:00pm **REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. *Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 & 996, and Streaming at [www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv)*

Wednesday, February 13 at 8:00pm **COUNCIL WORK SESSION (TBD)** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. Please see meetings calendar at [www.greenbeltmd.gov](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov) to see if meeting has been scheduled.


**The schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.**

“The newly-formed **Greenbelt Pedestrian & Bicycle Task Force** is seeking citizen input in setting initiatives and goals to make Greenbelt a more pedestrian- and bicycle-friendly city. Plan on attending our next meeting: **Thursday, February 14, 2019, 7 - 8:30 p.m. Community Center, room 112 (the gallery).**

We need to hear about your experiences and share your ideas! If you have any questions, please contact John Campanile, [jbelltower@yahoo.com](mailto:jbelltower@yahoo.com).”

**VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES**

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups. There are currently vacancies on: Advisory Committee of Education, Arts Advisory Board, Board of Elections, Community Relations Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, Senior Citizens Advisory Committee, and Youth Advisory Committee. Info: 301-474-8000



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A Review

# Shining a Light in the Closet

by Jim Link



From left, Win Britt (Jim Baxter), Susan Harper (Norma Baxter), Ronda Ansted (Millie Martindale), Jon Meeker (Bob Martindale) and Joy Cecilly Gerst (Barbara Grant) perform in Perfect Arrangement at Greenbelt Arts Center.

“Oh, what a tangled web we weave, when first we practice to deceive.” (Sir Walter Scott, 1808.)

Describing the plot of Perfect Arrangement, the rich, clever, hilarious but searing play now at Greenbelt Arts Center, is easy. Set in 1950 in the Georgetown duplex of Bob and Millie Martindale, it depicts the social gymnastics and outright lying necessary for two gay couples, employees of the U.S. State Department, to maintain their marriages of convenience while maintaining their authentic love lives with their homosexual partners. An adjunct, so-to-speak, of Senator Joe McCarthy’s anti-communist Red Scare was the anti-gay Lavender Scare during which homosexual government employees were surveilled and fired for their “sexual deviancy.” Such “sickness” was a threat to national security and a blackmailable offense.

Bob and Millie are married to each other so that Bob can safely be with his partner Jim, who is married to Norma, so that she can safely be with her partner Millie. This cozy perfect arrangement begins to unravel, however, and the domestic light-heartedness dissolves. Fear replaces clever banter; the perfect arrangement goes hideously awry.

The entertaining hour-long first act skillfully keeps the audience unprepared for the explosiveness of the 40-minute second act. Hidden motives come to light,

recriminations fly and the characters’ hitherto unsuspected moral complexity becomes apparent before the climatic ending.

Ronda Ansted as Millie is brilliant as an earthy lesbian posing as the uber-feminine, frilly, high-heeled, pearl-clutching, subservient wife to Bob. It’s a hoot to see her doff her hostessy gown and kick off her heels after her straight guests, Theodore and Kitty Sunderson, have left, to revel in her red pedal pushers and bare feet. Ansted has great comedic timing and is a master of the quick switch from her authentic, comfortable Norma-loving self to the inauthentic, devoted wife.

Jon Meeker as her hubby Bob is charged with the mission of rooting out homosexuals. Quite zealous at it, he is the “chief inquisitor” with more than a touch of self-loathing, who may be happier in his straight role than as Jim’s lover. Meeker is excellently conflicted.

Win Britt is quite solid as Jim, the wounded lover whose faith in Bob is shaken and who panics when his wife Norma threatens to leave him and explode the whole charade. Susan Harper as Norma is excellent as the aggrieved employee, accused of exculpating homosexuals by falsifying their files. She yearns to have a baby, but in 1950 what’s a lesbian to do?

Bob Singer and Janice Coffey are wonderful as Theodore and Kitty Sunderson. Theodore

is Bob’s boss and is ominously determined to solve the mystery of the misplaced files, not realizing that Norma may be the culprit. Wife Kitty is hilarious as the clueless, shallow straight wife whose life is consumed with shopping, proper manners, recipes, pastry shops – anything to smother her aching loneliness.

Which brings us to the wondrous, troubling Barbara Grant, played by Joy Cecilly Gerst, as an unjustly accused employee who decides to fight her dismissal. No spoilers here, but because Barbara has compromising information from Millie’s distant past and is very aware of the gay quartet’s double life, she is the very dangerous fly in the ointment, the moral center of the play, a threat to business as usual and hope for the future.

Long-time collaborators, director Ann Lowe-Barrett and producer William Powell, have teamed up again. Powell credits Lowe-Barrett with choosing a magnificent play but also expertly shaping this show into a winner. Lowe-Barrett claims that gay-bashing is still current today. “Many people still face the dilemmas we see played out here,” she says. This production is both an education and a delight. See this winner on Fridays, February 8, 15 and 22 at 8 p.m., Saturdays, February 9, 16 and 23 at 8 p.m. and Sundays, February 10 and 17 at 2 p.m.

# GAC Partners with CASA In A Perfect Arrangement

by Kara Bundy

The Greenbelt Arts Center (GAC) is partnering with Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)/Prince George’s County for their current production of Perfect Arrangement. The play addresses gay issues in the 1950s and a portion of the proceeds from the show will go toward addressing the needs of vulnerable youth in foster care, many of whom are LGBTQ.

CASA recruits citizens from the community and provides intensive training and supervision so that they can become advocates for abused and neglected youth in foster care. Empowered with a court order, volunteers not only provide information to the court to aid in making informed decisions that are in the best interest of the youth, but also become a positive, consistent person in the youth’s life.

CASA’s main goal through this partnership with GAC is to bring attention to the need for

more volunteers to advocate on behalf of the 500 young people living in foster care in Prince George’s County. On Monday, March 11 at 6 p.m., an information session will be held at CASA’s offices in Riverdale for those interested in learning more about becoming a CASA volunteer. The next training will start in April. To RSVP for the information session or request more information, email [recruitment@pgcasa.org](mailto:recruitment@pgcasa.org) or call 301-209-0491.

Perfect Arrangement runs weekends through Saturday, February 23. After the show on Sunday, February 17, there will be an opportunity to talk with the cast and John Stoltenberg a radical feminist activist, author and editor about the Lavender Scare, LGBTQ issues, acting, comedy and more. This will be facilitated by Dr. Adria Williams, a clinical psychologist with a practice in Greenbelt. For more information visit [greenbeltartscenter.org](http://greenbeltartscenter.org).





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December 2015, the project “serves to provide a clear path for transforming a too-wide street into one that better serves multiple modes of transportation, minimizes paved surfaces and optimizes stormwater management.”

The city doesn’t have a timetable for the construction described in the designs, but it has a deadline to meet. When the Chesapeake Bay Trust awarded the grant in July 2017, it required Greenbelt to spend the money by June of this year.

“The step right now is to get the design work done,” Moran said in a phone call. He noted that identifying funds for construction would be a future step.

The city issued a request for proposals in October and received five, which, according to a memorandum from Community Planner Judith Howerton to City Manager Nicole Ard, was a good response rate. CPJ made the most affordable offer.

Howerton said the city’s target date for the completion of the designs is May 24.

**Loan**

Columbia Bank offered Greenbelt just over \$6 million to finance the construction of Greenbelt Station Parkway. The offer is for a 20-year term and includes a fixed 3.71 percent interest rate

for 10 years.

Representatives from Greenbelt’s bond counsel and financial adviser updated council on responses to a request for proposals (RFP) for the loan.

Jennifer Dierksen of Davenport and Company, the city’s financial advisor, said, “Columbia so far has been very good to deal with and we hope to close very soon on this loan.”

John Stalfort of Miles and Stockbridge, the city’s bond counsel, said he was expecting a fixed interest rate for seven years.

Columbia Bank was one of two banks to respond to the city’s RFP.

**Landscaping**

The city introduced for first reading a resolution to pay P2 Maintenance Services \$46,990 for lawn mowing and landscaping.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts said he would vote against the bill. “I think these jobs should be going to young people here in Greenbelt,” he said. “There’s plenty of young people here who could use a job in the summertime.”

Seven companies responded to a January 18 request for proposals from the city. P2 Maintenance, of Laurel, submitted the lowest bid.

Centerway Businesses Closed By Sunday’s Water Main Break

by Amy Hansen

Businesses in Roosevelt Center were shuttered for part of Sunday, February 3 when an eight-inch water main broke on Saturday night and required the services of Washington Suburban Sanitation Commission (WSSC) to fix it.

WSSC crew came out on Saturday at 7 p.m. to assess the damage. They could see that a pipe was letting water leak out over the sidewalk near Chef Lou’s bakery and Cedars of Lebanon restaurant. Fortunately, the temperatures remained above freezing so the area did not become a skating rink. Nor was the water flooding the businesses.

On Sunday, the crew returned with the plans of the area showing where the pipes were set. At 11:10 a.m. they turned off the water to the businesses at Roosevelt Center as well as the



PHOTO BY ROBERT CANDEY

WSSC workers dig down to the pipes under Roosevelt Center.

city’s Aquatic & Fitness Center. By 12:30 p.m. they had fixed the pipe’s break and water was restored.

WSSC spokesperson Lyn Rig-

gins said the cause of the break was probably both cold weather and age. The pipe, she said, was laid in 1937 so it wasn’t surprising that it was having problems.

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Greenbelters Melissa Thompson, Elisabeth Kevorkian and Lauren Cummings, part of the group made up of districts 22, 23 and 25, met with Delegate Tawanna Gaines and Senator Paul Pinsky as well as with staff members of Delegates Anne Healey and Alonzo Washington.

The day included speeches and training in the House of Delegates Office Building as well as a group photo in the building’s rotunda and a rally and press conference. The day concluded with tired but inspired supporters sharing their experiences.

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collected donations of non-perishable food for the local Help by Phone food pantries at Berwyn Presbyterian Church and Trinity Moravian Church in New Carrollton. In addition, more than 500 cans of food were donated by students and staff at Greenbelt Elementary School through their student government sponsor and third-grade teacher Tamia Perry. About 200 more food items were collected at the Furlough Potluck the church hosted on January 27.

As part of this special event, donations – monetary and non-perishable food – are being accepted through February at the church office.



PHOTO BY KAREN YOHO

Donations are collected before and during the Souper Bowl.



PHOTO COURTESY OF SENATOR PINSKY’S OFFICE

Group photo of supporters in the House Office Building Rotunda

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pre-registered brave the snow? As the crowds thinned, slowed by the weather, two Rivers of Life trustees, Rodney Harrison and Charles Grace, jumped into action. They went to the neighborhood clinic and told patients that there was free chicken and rice for families. They approached parents and guardians picking up students who were being released early from Springhill Lake Elementary School because of the snow. The Franklin Park leasing office offered to send out an email to alert residents to the grocery giveaway. Families picked up generous bags of food, enough for two to three meals.

Tinch, the supply pastor at Rivers of Life, was bundled up against the weather as he passed out meals to families and invited them to come and visit next Sunday. He and Freeman finished each other’s sentences about the chance meeting which led to this moment. “We had attended a Sustainable Farming Conference at the University of Maryland

and struck up a conversation with the two Eastern Shore farmers. They are as passionate about an equitable relationship between farmers and consumers as we are, and here we are,” they finished.

Tinch, new to Greenbelt, has a simple philosophy. “We want to learn and identify the needs

of the community. We believe everyone can serve.” He pointed to one of the volunteers. “This is my Payne Seminary classmate and concert pianist, Karl Van Richards, who stopped by to visit before his performance tonight.” He laughed, “See, everyone can serve.”

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# Police Blotter

*Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department,  
www.greenbeltmd.gov/police*

*Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.*

## Handgun

January 25, 4:19 p.m., 7700 block Hanover Parkway. A 17-year-old nonresident was arrested for possession of a handgun in a motor vehicle, possession of a handgun, obstruction and hindering, and other charges after he ran from a vehicle during a traffic stop carrying a gym bag. He was apprehended nearby after a short foot chase. The gym bag contained a semiautomatic handgun and a BB-type gun. The youth was released to a parent pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

## Robbery

January 30, 7:50 p.m., 100 block Centerway. A man entered the Sunoco Service Station armed with a knife, demanded money from the cashier, and fled after getting it. He is described as being black; wearing a ski mask; hooded black, red and gray jacket; gloves; and carrying a blue book bag.

## Burglary

January 24, 11:41 p.m., 7900 block Mandan Road. An 18-year-old resident and a 17-year-old nonresident were each charged with burglary, malicious destruction and trespass after officers responded to a report of a burglary of a vacant apartment. Witnesses stated both of them fled, but they were then observed walking nearby. The 18-year-old was stopped on the scene and transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner. The 17-year-old was apprehended after a foot chase and was released to a guardian pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

## Vandalism

January 28, 10 p.m., 48 Court Crescent Road. The glass front entrance doors of both 48 and 50 Crescent Road were broken.

## Vehicle Crime

Three vehicles were stolen. Two are 2002 Jeep Liberties, both blue. The one with Md. tags PC197214 was taken from the 6000 block Greenbelt Road, and the other, with Md. tags EV5371, was taken from the 6400 block Ivy Lane. A silver 2015 Dodge Journey SUV with Md. tags T744390 was taken from the 6100 block Springhill Terrace.

An attempted theft occurred in the 6000 block Greenbelt Road after the ignition was tampered with in an attempt to steal the vehicle. Two laptop computers in it were taken.

A 2015 Chevrolet Malibu reported stolen to the Prince George's County Police Department was recovered in the 7400 block Greenbelt Road.

Six thefts from vehicles were reported. Two involved unlocked cars, both on January 28 in the 7800 block Emily's Way, where a parking pass was taken from one vehicle and a book bag and money from the other. A safety hammer was taken from a possibly unlocked vehicle in 7 Court Southway.

Two thefts occurred after windows were broken out to gain access. A cell phone was taken in the 5800 block Cherrywood Lane and a wallet in the 6200 block Springhill Court.

A set of four tires and rims and both passenger and driver air bags were taken from one vehicle on Ora Glen Drive near Ora Court.

Two acts of vandalism occurred, one in the 6100 block Breezewood Drive, where a roof was dented, and in the 7300 block Frankfort Court where obscenities were scratched onto a vehicle and its windshield was cracked.

# Eleanor Roosevelt Wrote Advice Columns for 20 Years

by Nicole Hudgins

Snow and sleet didn't stop an enthusiastic audience from going to the Community Center the evening of January 17 to hear a fascinating lecture by historian Mary Jo Binker concerning life advice proffered by Eleanor Roosevelt. A consulting editor of the Eleanor Roosevelt Papers and adjunct professor at George Mason University, Binker also signed copies of her book about Roosevelt's popular advice columns. *If You Ask Me: Essential Advice from Eleanor Roosevelt* chronicles the First Lady's career as a columnist in the *Ladies' Home Journal* (1941-1949) and *McCall's Magazine* (1949-1962). Before, during and after World War II, Roosevelt addressed questions from men and women all over the country.

Binker was brought to Greenbelt by the Friends of the Greenbelt Museum (FOGM) to give one of an ongoing series of talks free to the public. Greenbelt Museum Director Megan Searing Young was on hand to welcome attendees from the University of Maryland, the Library of Congress and the community, who remember when Roosevelt was America's First Lady. Roosevelt's If You Ask Me column was "a window onto what people were concerned about" from the De-

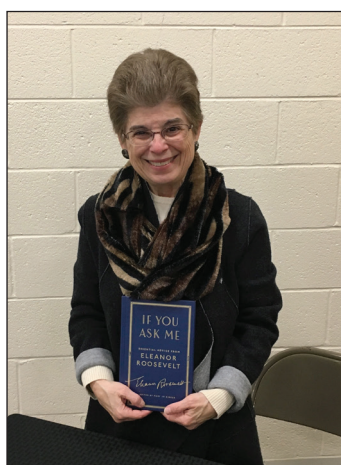


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**Mary Jo Binker holds her new book, *If You Ask Me: Essential Advice from Eleanor Roosevelt*.**

pression to the Cold War, said Binker. From mothers worried about their sons' whereabouts during the war, to children anxious about a Russian attack on their homes, Roosevelt worked as a one-woman help-line during times of tension and anxiety. Americans wrote in with concerns about the economy, political divisions within families and women in the workplace. Binker suggested that her "warmth, humanity, and timeless relevance" are arguably a beacon for our own times.

Not unlike today's social influ-

encers, Roosevelt enjoyed a flourishing post-White House career in the media, earning top salaries for her newspaper, radio and television shows. She even had to cope with hostile comments from those who criticized her children, her advocacy for working women and the Democratic Party.

Although published in women's magazines, many letter-writers were men. One man wrote to the columnist asking if he should help his wife wash the dishes. More relevant to today was a mother's angst over whether to let her son play football.

Binker told the audience that in addition to traveling around the country to learn about Americans' problems and concerns, Roosevelt "was a kind of unofficial ombudsman," funneling questions to an array of different government offices and experts. And, she was doing all that while working as an appointee to the United Nations, leading such projects as the drafting of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

The Greenbelt Museum and FOGM continue to schedule upcoming speakers and events for the upcoming year, including a Valentine-themed pop-up exhibit in February at 10-B Crescent, the Museum's historic house.

# MLK Day of Service



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**MLK Day of Service event was rescheduled due to cold temperatures. The event took place on Saturday, February 2 at Buddy Attick Park to protect trees from beaver herbivory.**

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At Greenbelt Park

Sunday, February 10: Charles Young, Man of Courage. Celebrate Black History Month with a journey through the life of the first African American superintendent in the National Park Service. Meet at the Ranger Station at 2 p.m.

Tuesday, February 12: Fort Meade Outreach Military Pass. Active military and their families are eligible for a free pass to national parks. Meet at the PX/Food Court between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Wednesday, February 13: Andrews Air Force Base Outreach Military Pass. Active military and their families are eligible for a free pass to national parks. Meet at the PX/Food Court between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Sunday, February 17: Every Kid in a Park. 4th graders, come and learn how to get a free pass to national parks by playing Guess Your National Park. Meet at the Ranger Station at 1 p.m.

Saturday, February 23: Spring Farm Life 200 Years Ago. What did farmers do 200 years ago in the winter and spring days of February and March? Through the work of Eric Sloane, famous for his drawings and paintings of early American life, and with examples of the tools farmers then wielded, listen to a ranger talk on pioneer days in the woods of Greenbelt. Meet at the Ranger Station at 11 a.m.

Sunday, February 24: Join the Greenbelt Park Walking Club for a mid-winter 1.4-mile trail walk around the park loop road. Meet at the Sweetgum Picnic Area at 1 p.m.

Weather advisory: Programs could be moved or cancelled due to weather. Contact the Greenbelt Park Ranger Station at 301-344-3944 for details or any updated information.

GHI Notes

Thursday, February 7, 10 a.m., Storm Water Management Task Force Meeting, Board Room;

7:45 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting, Board Room

Friday, February 8, office closed. Emergency maintenance service available at 301-474-6011.

Monday, February 11, 7 p.m., Prepurchase Orientation, Board Room

Tuesday, February 12, 7:30 p.m., Legislative and Government Affairs Committee Meeting, Board Room

Wednesday, February 13, 7 p.m., Member Outreach Committee Meeting, GHI Lobby; 7:30 p.m., Architectural Review Committee Meeting, Board Room

Garden Club Assigns Plots on March 14

The Greenbelt Community Garden Club will hold its plot assignment meeting on Thursday, March 14. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in the Community Center, Room 202. Anyone not able to attend or who has questions, contact Martha Tomecek at 301-614-0691.

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founders of Beech Tree Puppets and a Greenbelt resident, students have learned about the history of shadow puppetry, rehearsed their parts and practiced projection, enunciation and pacing. “The students have much to juggle all at once,” explained Hass. “They need to focus on keeping their puppet flat on the screen, move it like their special character would move, and at the same time say their lines in an interesting and intelligible way. Often, they get excited, speaking so fast they run their lines together or they might pull their puppet away from the screen, which makes the character suddenly disappear. But practice makes perfect,” she said with a smile.

There are four fourth-grade classrooms at GES. With about 30 kids in each class, one of the challenges is coming up with a show in which everyone can meaningfully participate. “The Chinese folktale show has up to 15 roles, so the teachers create two casts for each classroom,” says Hass. “This works really well because the casts take turns learning from doing the part and then observing someone else do their part. I like to get feedback from the students about how the other cast can improve.”

Then each cast performs for one or two other classrooms in the lower grades. “This is my very favorite moment because suddenly the students rise to the occasion with the addition of an audience. Everything we practiced clicks and they experience the magic of making a story come to life.”

Greenbelt Association for the Visual Arts (GAVA), a non-profit who partners with the PTA of GES, won the Jim Cassel Award to fund this project. GAVA has a long history with GES. Bar-

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Teddy Bears’ Picnic

The Friendly Bruins and pals will gather on Sunday, February 10 from 3 to 4 p.m. at the Old Parish House, 4711 Knox Road, College Park. A free Valentine-themed indoor picnic with stories, songs, dances and activities for little ones to share with a favorite plush friend.



Ingrid Cowan Hass gives a performance of “The Giant Turnip.”



Kailynn Douglas displays her shadow puppet, a towns person.

bara Simon, founder and director of GAVA, who died in June of 2016, had been a resident visual artist at the school for decades and brought many local artists into the school. GAVA continues to create art workshops with teaching artists, the school admin-

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# Artists Construct Meaning, Memory Using Family Photos

by Nicole DeWald

Who among us hasn’t cringed upon seeing certain images of ourselves in family photos? Artist Robert Cantor has a solution for that. Ironically, the retired software developer chooses to forego the convenience of digital photo editing in favor of photorealist oil painting. Cantor faithfully recreates the compositions of black and white family photos from the 1960s, with a twist. Using meticulous layers of paint and glaze that take months to apply, Cantor replaces images of himself – and his two brothers – with depictions of ceramic animal pencil sharpeners from his extensive personal collection. A cat with an accordion serenades a snowman. A blue pony with extravagant eyelashes looks back coyly over its shoulder in front of a giant pumpkin.

Cantor’s paintings are featured in the current exhibition at the Community Center Art Gallery, Upside Down House: Paintings by Robert Cantor, Maura Doern Danko and Amanda Demos Larsen. A reception will be held on Friday, February 15 from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Cantor’s uncanny images reflect our contemporary understanding of memory as an active process of re-creation. He notes, “the presence of these toys . . . makes it impossible to ignore the artificial nature of these nostalgiating memories.” The substitutions “bring memories to life in ways which sometimes seem more immediate and real than the original snapshots.” Greenbelt CARES Clinical Supervisor Teresa Smithson notes that this imaginative engagement applies not only to our construction of specific memories, but also more broadly to our understanding of family itself. She notes, “one’s notion of family is a unique and dynamic process – melding one’s personal memories with the narratives of other members, and the larger culture.”

### Danko

For artist Maura Doern Danko, shared authorship is an explicit and multi-leveled art-making strategy. She creates impressionistic paintings based on childhood photos of herself and her sister. Rendered with soft, lush brushwork, her figures include iconic characters such as the girl scout, the ballerina, the first communion recipient and the child nearly immobilized in her snowsuit. In arrays of figurative, Masonite cut-outs, these forms co-exist with others that are more private in their specificity, more elusive in their ordinariness. Danko has reproduced many of the images

as stuffed paper and cotton dolls, sending them out into the world to have new adventures entirely beyond the artist’s control. She notes, “there is a fluidity of time that emerges.” Friends, family members and strangers alike were asked to send the artist digital video clips which she then used to construct a short film; a digital QR code is provided in the gallery.

Additional works from Danko on display include elegant sketches of family members on small wooden blocks, and mail-art dioramas enabling family members to travel in well-appointed cardboard boxes. A sample painting is provided from the artist’s Pink Gingham Project. Danko recreated images from family photos on pieces of pink gingham from her childhood curtains which were then inserted into the landscape. Digital video of these works was used to create another short film.

### Larsen

Artist Amanda Demos Larsen paints from family photos that she creates expressly for reference. The exhibition includes four figurative works depicting the artist herself, her husband and children, and the children’s cousins. Knowingly or otherwise, these actors are participating in Larsen’s evocation of multiple narratives situated simultaneously in both the experiential and symbolic realms. Her stories are at once personal, spiritual and scriptural. In John, Amanda and Apple (He Did Eat), the artist holds a knife and hands a slice of fruit to her husband; her eyes are cast downward, his expression is ambiguous and the air is electric.

In Amanda, Toys and Shoes (Afraid to Look), the artist dons her sandals against the prominent “sacred ground” of a living room floor textured with the flotsam and jetsam of daily life. Smithson, of CARES, commends the artist for her exploration of the revelatory capacity of the mundane. “Families’ small moments and routines . . . tell a lot about who they are and their relationship to each other.” These details are so important, she notes, that they are explored as early as the intake interview in a family counseling context.

Larsen’s featured works also include three new still lifes, which she considers a natural extension of her portraits. She notes that these works “revolve around the themes of childhood, birth and family. While they recall still lifes from art history, they juxtapose objects from my own child rearing and childhood with symbolic and traditional ob-

jects.” In one composition, a tiny toy elephant – a matriarchal species – strides confidently forward between a golf ball and a bottle nipple, with a juggling ball bearing down on her from behind. If this elephant never forgets, perhaps it is because she is constantly rebuilding her memories out of the bottle caps, pennies, Cheerios and other matter that lie at hand.

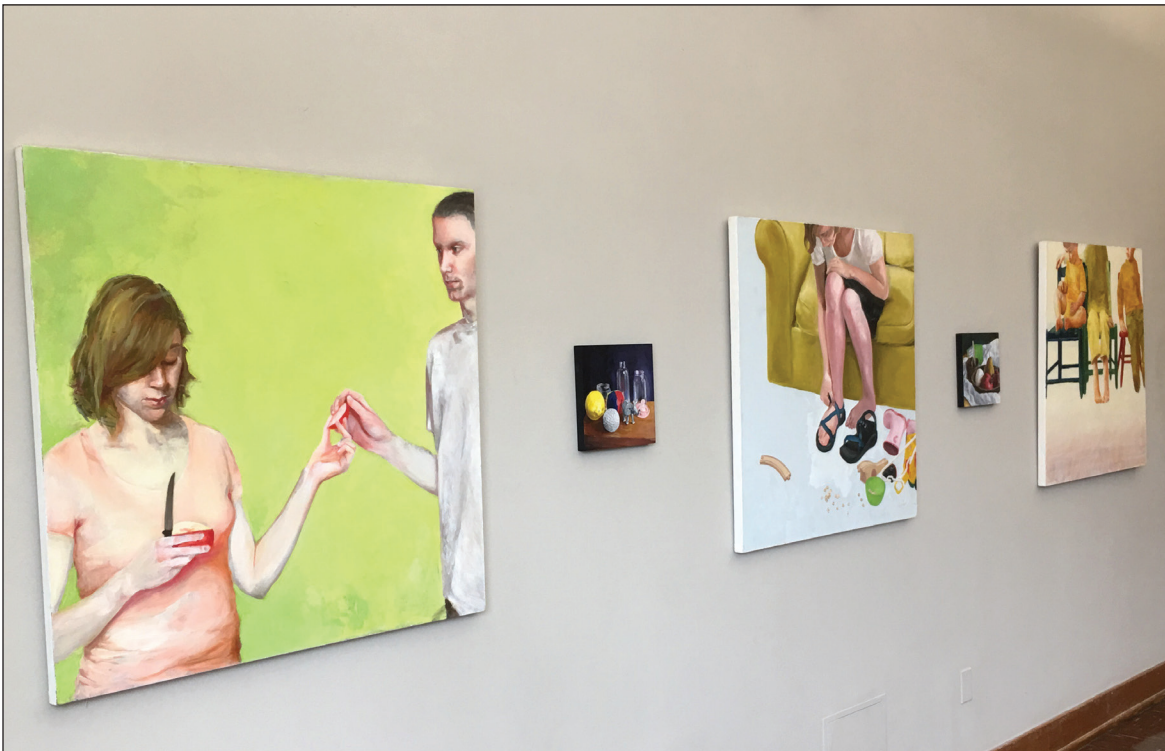
“Upside Down House: Unconventional Family Portraiture” by Robert Cantor, Maura Doern Danko and Amanda Demos Larsen is on view through Friday, March 22. The art gallery is open daily when not reserved: Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. For additional information, call 301-397-2208. In case of inclement weather, call 301-474-0646 for schedule adjustments. Greenbelt Arts programs are supported in part by the Maryland State Arts Council.

- Photos by Amanda Demos Larsen

At right: Artist Maura Doern Danko creates figurative cut-outs from impressionistic paintings based on childhood photos of herself and her sister.



Oil painter Robert Cantor recreates black and white photos from the 1960s with a twist.



Amanda Demos Larsen paints scenes from family photos depicting herself, her husband and children.

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